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Rozanne Hynard works her way through the tai chi moves at the Zion United Church in Carnarvon on Friday, May 2. Master Moy Lin-Shin founded the international Taoist Tai Chi organization in 1970 in order to bring the health benefits of the Chinese art to the world.
 Zach Cox Staff

Success of OPP May Day unclear

Chad Ingram
 Staff reporter

While it is difficult to gauge what impact last week's OPP May Day may have had, local politicians are grateful to the county residents who participated and are continuing their lobby against the proposed OPP billing formula.

The county had asked residents to call and email the offices of the premier and community safety minister on Thursday, May 1, in protest of the billing model, which would come into effect in 2015.

It attempts to redistribute OPP costs on a per household basis throughout the province and would see the county's collective annual policing costs rise from \$3.3 to more than \$8.5 million.

"It's hard to gauge any result, of course, but we do know people have been extremely active on this issue," Algonquin Highlands Reeve Carol Moffatt wrote in an email.

According to the county's IT department, Haliburton County's website had 1,369 visitors on May 1, with 1,000 of those being new visitors to the site and with the page the county had created on the OPP billing model receiving more than 1,250 unique views.

The page explained how adopting the formula would equate to tax increases of between 20 and 36 per cent at the lower tier

see #OPPMAYDAY page 2

Police investigating fatality near Carnarvon

OPP are investigating a fatal collision on Buckslide Road north of Carnarvon.

On Sunday, May 4 at about 6 p.m. Haliburton Highlands OPP were called to the single vehicle collision in Algonquin Highlands.

The lone occupant in the pick-up truck was identified as Thomas Barker, 68, from Oshawa.

The collision is under investigation by the OPP technical collision investigators.

"It appears that a medical condition,

which will be determined following a post mortem, may have been a contributing factor in the collision," a press release from the OPP reads.

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Impaired driver charged with theft of vehicle

On May 3, Ontario Provincial Police Haliburton Highlands Detachment responded to a stolen vehicle call in the Township of Minden Hills, Ontario. Police investigation revealed that a newly purchased black 2000 Cadillac car was stolen from a residence on Sedgwick Road. When police arrived at the residence they located the stolen vehicle which had been returned and the intoxicated male driver who was subsequently arrested. As a result, a 61-year-old man from Minden has been charged with the following:


- Theft of Motor Vehicle Under \$5000
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- The accused is scheduled to appear in the Ontario Court of Justice in Minden on June 4.







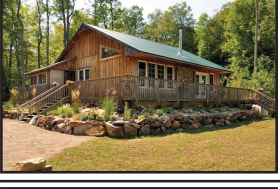

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#OPPMayDay brings in hundreds of tweets, emails

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levels and provided sample letters for residents.

“Those numbers are significantly higher than normal traffic, where we usually see about 1,800 users in an entire week,” Moffatt wrote.

The campaign had also urged residents to take to Twitter with the hashtag #OPPMayDay and there were 299 Tweets that used the handle, with an overall hashtag reach of more than 34,000.

“I have been forwarded, or cc’d on, about 100 letters and there were many folks who told me they sent a letter or email without cc-ing me and many more who said they made phone calls,” Moffatt wrote. “A number of people told me they had difficulty getting through on the phone lines of Premier Wynne’s office and Minister Naqvi Tweeted that they were receiving lots of calls that day. I don’t believe Minister Naqvi’s acknowledgement of #OPPMayDay on Twitter means anything other than that – an acknowledgement.”

On the afternoon of May 1, Community Safety and Correctional Services Minister Yasir Naqvi had Tweeted: “We are working closely with @AMOpolicy& municipalities to develop an OPP billing model that is fair, equitable & transparent. #OPPMayDay”

The paper had arranged to speak to Naqvi May 2, but did not hear from him after the legislature was dissolved that day.

The budget the Liberal government tabled on May 1 was defeated in Queen’s Park May 2, setting the stage for a June 12 election.

“We have no feedback that gauges if our efforts made any dint in the issue but I’m confident we’ve done the right thing for our taxpayers and thank those who took the time to participate,” Moffatt wrote. “Other negatively affected municipalities are interested in continuing the lobby and we’ll discuss any next steps soon. The election is another opportunity to bring the issue to light at the provincial level.”

After the proposed billing model had become a central issue at a February Rural Ontario Municipal Association conference in Toronto, PC Leader Tim Hudak had hinted at scrapping the model if his party formed government in the next election.

“I think the day of action went reasonably well I was pleased that we got coverage on regional media including [CBC’s] Ontario Morning and CHEX TV,” Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid wrote. “It’s very hard to tell how many people actually took time to contact Queen’s Park, but the key message we need to send is, it’s not too late, please express your concern.”

Reid, who was the county’s representative on a steering committee on OPP costs organized by the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, believes the message is getting across at Queen’s Park.

“Whether the election delays the anticipated June announcement of the model decision depends on who forms the next government,” she wrote.

Because it is a regulatory change, the OPP billing model does not have to pass through MPPs on the floor of the legislature.

“I cannot measure the response on May Day, but I can say the responses I received were informed,” Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey wrote in an email.

Fearrey is hopeful the election will change things.

“Being premier of Ontario requires one to represent all of Ontario, not just a power base in Toronto,” he wrote, noting that it is largely rural areas that would see drastic increases in OPP costs under the new model. “What has been identifiable in this process is that urban areas are given favour as opposed to the rural areas with large seasonal fluctuations, and the failure to recognize that people generate calls not households. Clearly this translates into call for service and population.”

MPP Laurie Scott said her office received many calls on May 1 and that she was copied on many emails.

“We got tons,” said Scott, who has raised the issue of OPP billing at Queen’s Park.

While she didn’t have an official total, Scott said it was safe to say she was copied on hundreds of correspondences to the government.

“I say thank you to everybody who participated,” she said.

Liberal candidate for Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock Rick Johnson stood behind the formula being put forth by the province, but said increasing police costs in Ontario need to be looked at.

“It has to be a formula that is fair both to residents in this area and throughout the province,” Johnson said. “I think it’s not fair that residents of Kenora are paying \$1,000 [per household] for policing. There’s disparity right within the county itself.”

Currently, annual costs in the county range from \$76 per household in Algonquin Highlands to \$187 in Minden Hills.

The estimated average per household cost under the proposed model would be \$369.

One of the main criticisms of the model by local politicians and staff is that it uses a per household metric and weights seasonal residences evenly with year-round ones.

“The number of calls goes up dramatically in the summer season,” Johnson said. “It’s trying to find the balance.”

He said he understood county residents’ frustration.

“I’d be doing the same thing,” he said.

OPP issue warning to boaters

Ontario Provincial Police detachments within the OPP Central Region are warning boaters that although the ice may be gone from area lakes, extreme caution must be used when returning your boat to the water.

With water temperatures still being very cold, a personal flotation device (PFD) or a floatation suit should be worn at all times. Hypothermia can and will set in very quickly should you fall into the water and at least with a PFD or floatation suit you may have a chance in surviving such an incident.

Boaters are also reminded that many area lakes may still have some floating ice or objects such as logs or other debris that may cause damage to your vessel.

Chief Superintendent John Tod, Regional Commander of the OPP Central Region says “caution and responsible boating must be exercised at all times of the year, but with a delayed start to this year’s boating season, there is no place for compromising safety especially when it comes to water related activities”.

Inspector Dom Beckett, Manager of the OPP Central Region Traffic and Marine Unit is asking boaters “to make sure that all required safety and lighting equipment is tested before heading out onto the water. The Safe Boating Guide which is published by Transport Canada is an excellent resource that clearly identifies what equipment each size of boat is required to have”. This resource is also available online at www.boatingsafety.gc.ca.

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Spring flooding

The Gull River in Minden approached flood levels during the weekend. Only a few fixed benches and docks along the Riverwalk were affected. **Glenn Springer** Special to the Times

Candidates gear up for pending election

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

For the third time in seven years, Liberal Rick Johnson will square off against Progressive Conservative Laurie Scott for the provincial seat in Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock.

With NDP leader Andrea Horwath's announcement Friday morning that her party would not support the Liberal budget tabled May 1, Ontario is in election mode. Election day will be June 12.

The \$130-billion Liberal budget included tax hikes for Ontarians earning more than \$150,000 and would have grown this year's deficit to \$12 billion, up from \$10 billion.

Asked if there was anything the Liberal government could have included to gain support from the PC Opposition, Scott was blunt.

"No," she said. "I wouldn't trust those people with your money."

Scott criticized the budget for increasing the deficit and debt.

"We want to decrease taxes for everybody," she said. "We want to decrease red tape for businesses."

Scott added this red tape included regulations and fees on tradespeople through the college of trades.

"[The Liberals] are driving young people out of the province," she said.

At a press conference Friday afternoon, Liberal leader Kathleen Wynne criticized PC leader Tim Hudak's plan to create a million jobs over eight years as moving the province toward a low-wage labour economy.

"We want good-paying, middle-class jobs," Scott said. "There are a million unem-

ployed people in Ontario. They have no record. This is what their policies have created."

Johnson, who's been working as senior advisor of stakeholder relations for the Ministry of Rural Affairs for more than a year criticized the PCs for coming out against the budget before it was even tabled.

"It's a good budget," he said. "This is what we need to do over the next 10 years."

There was the creation of a permanent, \$100-million fund for rural infrastructure.

"The state of the roads and bridges is huge," Johnson said.

He said other highlights of the budget were supports for the most vulnerable, including increases for those on the Ontario Disability Support Program and Ontario Works payments, as well as a \$100 increase in the yearly per-child payment through the Ontario Child Benefit.

The E-Health, Ornge and gas plant scandals that unfolded under former Premier Dalton McGuinty, as well as an investigation into deleted government emails pertaining to the gas plants, seem destined to be part of candidates' debates throughout the province.

Wynne has repeatedly stressed her lack of involvement in incidents that took place under her predecessor.

"She's a very strong communicator," Scott said. "But she can't distance herself [from McGuinty]."

Don Abel, retired licensing officer for the City of Kawartha Lakes and the riding's NDP candidate, said the Liberals just can't be trusted anymore.

Abel, who served as an NDP MPP for Wentworth North in 1990s, said there were three promises the Liberals had made and failed to deliver, those being a financial

accountability office, reduced auto insurance rates and improved home care for seniors.

"Three simple promises," he said, adding that some people had seen their auto rates continue to rise. "They had more than a year."

Abel also pointed to the scandals that originated under McGuinty.

"The scandals just continue and they've continued for years," he said. "There's been terrible mismanagement."

"There are a lot of things that have gone wrong," Johnson said. "This issue will come up. My opponents will raise it on a regular basis."

Johnson, stressing he's known Wynne since 2001, said she's a person of integrity.

"I haven't deleted an email in a year and half, because that's the rules," he said, adding that every party that has been in power has had some sort of problem with scandal.

Another item in the budget was the creation of an Ontario pension plan, an idea Scott mocked, saying it wasn't the government's role and was something not everyone could afford to pay into.

"There are tools they can invest in for their retirement," she said. "That's not an idea we believe in."

Scott added just affording to live was a more pressing issue for many Ontarians than affording to retire and that bringing down hydro bills might be a good place to start.

Johnson pointed out that people are living longer than they used to and that the province putting aside some money now in the form of pensions would be better than the alternative for some seniors down the road.

"Then they become the problem of the

state," he said.

Abel said he could support the idea of an Ontario pension plan.

"If it's done properly, it could be a good thing," he said, pointing to the pension systems for Ontario municipal employees and teachers as examples.

Abel said he hopes Ontarians will give the NDP a chance and said the belief that the party would be a poor financial manager is a myth.

"That's nothing more than a scare tactic," he said. "Bob Rae is long gone."

Abel, who served as whip in the Rae government, noted the decisions made at that time were during a severe recession. He pointed to NDP governments in Saskatchewan and Manitoba for their track record in balancing budgets.

"The NDP is a viable alternative," he said. "The Liberals have proven their mismanagement. Tim Hudak wants to take us back to the dark days of Mike Harris."

Johnson, a professional musician and former chairman of the Trillium Lakelands District School Board, first challenged Scott in 2007, losing that bid.

Then, in 2009, Scott vacated her seat, taking a staff position with the Progressive Conservative party to allow its then riding-less leader John Tory a much-needed opportunity to hold a seat in Queen's Park.

Johnson beat Tory in the March bye-election and Tory resigned as party leader, replaced by Hudak.

Johnson served as MPP, acting as parliamentary secretary for the agricultural and infrastructure ministries, until the fall 2011 election, when he was beaten by Scott.

Scott is the daughter of the late Bill Scott, a popular MP who represented the riding in the House of Commons for 25 years.

Glitches fixed, says voting company

➤ **Intelivote to provide telephone and Internet voting services for fall municipal election**

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

While the electronic voting company Intelivote had some glitches in elections it ran in 2010, the company's president says those have been smoothed out.

Minden Hills has hired the Dartmouth-based company to provide telephone and Internet voting services for the October municipal election.

It will be the first time township residents have voted through electronic means, with the municipality using tradi-

tional polling stations and mail-in paper ballots in the past.

There will still be a polling station set up on the October 27 election date, as well as an advanced polling day on Oct. 11.

"We've done more municipal elections in Canada than all of our competitors combined," Dean Smith, founder and president of Intelivote, told the *Times*.

The 11-year-old company has run 61 municipal elections in Nova Scotia and Ontario. It conducts other types of elections as well, such as those for party leadership.

The company will receive a list of eligible voters from the municipality.

Each voter is assigned a secret personal identification number by the company, which they will receive through traditional mail.

"Each of the voters will receive their PIN number about five days before the

election," Smith said.

The period for electronic voting will begin at 12 a.m. on Oct. 10 and continue through until 8 p.m. on election day, Oct. 27.

Electronic voting can be done by phone or any web-based system.

Smith noted this includes not just computers and smart-phones, but any device that can connect to the Internet, such as X-Box.

"In 2010, we launched a new feature, which was a candidate module," Smith said.

The module shows candidates which residents have voted and which haven't, so they can target their campaigning.

This is a legislated practice under the Municipal Elections Act. Candidates can access lists of which voters have cast ballots from traditional advanced polling stations.

It was this candidate module that contributed to some technical problems during 2010 municipal elections in Ontario.

There was heavy candidate and voter use of the system during the multi-day election, including a flood during the last few hours.

"We did not grey out the button," Smith said, explaining that candidates would hit the button repeatedly to access the module, not realizing it was already in action, just taking a few seconds to respond.

"More and more candidates got online," he said. "They would click it again and again and again."

Each time the button was hit, it spawned a new request, and eventually the flood took a toll on the system's servers.

This led to a 57-minute delay in communities such as Brockville, North Grenville and Elizabethtown-Kitley.

Intelivote conducted 33 municipal elections in Ontario in 2010.

"Every one of those elections was verified," Smith said, explaining that results in the communities affected by the delay were not compromised.

Some of those communities extended their voting hours to make sure all votes were counted.

Smith said changes have been made so that the glitch will not be repeated.

"No. 1, we fixed the grey-out button," he said.

Smith said that the candidates module has also been put on a server separate from the one used by voters.

Intelivote's system includes safeguards against voter fraud and hacking.

Once a person has voted, he or she is checked off the system.

Smith said it wouldn't be possible for



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— Dean Smith
Founder and president, Intelivote

someone to vote twice, once by paper and once electronically.

"The system will show that you voted two minutes ago in the parking lot," he said.

As for hackers, Smith said the company uses the same kind of intrusive detection system as banks and the RCMP.

"We have various mechanisms," he said. "Those are constantly checked."

Once the polls close on election day, it should take about 15 minutes to get the results.

"We wait for the all-clear from the clerk's office," Smith said, explaining that anyone who is at a physical voting location when polls close has the right to cast their vote.

"When the polls close, there's an auditing process that goes on," Smith said, adding this process involves an independent auditor to be appointed by the municipality, as well as the township's chief electoral officer.

"To clarify, the auditor does not audit the results of the election," Minden Hills chief administrative officer and clerk Nancy Wright-Laking, who is chief electoral officer and returning officer for the election, wrote in an email to the *Times*.

"The auditor will review the system to ensure that is working properly and will do so throughout the entire Internet/phone voting period."

"Generally, the auditor has a good background in technology and thus it is usually an IT staff person or a company that has expertise. I have not made a decision on this matter yet. This is not a responsibility of council and thus will not come before council."

While Minden Hills council had voted late last year to stick with mail-in paper ballots, councillors changed their minds, voting in early 2014 to use Internet and telephone voting for the Oct. 27 municipal election.

The county's three other townships are continuing to use mail-in ballots.

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Students prepare to take over airwaves

Jenn Watt
Editor

High school students in the Rotary Interact Club are preparing for this year's Rotary Radio Day May 14.

The daylong fundraiser is hosted on Canoe FM and includes content generated by the students and local Rotarians to benefit a global charity chosen by students.

This year, a small charity called Education is Power based out of Vancouver, will be the recipient of funds.

"Every year [the Interact Club members] present different projects and they vote on them," said Rotarian Joanna Penfold.

Education is Power is sponsoring two Kenyan girls that the club had previously been supporting and had lost contact with.

Money goes to students' schooling in two villages in Kenya, covering tuition and sometimes residence costs.

Unlike other charities, when students complete their studies and get stable employment, they are expected to pay back a portion of their tuition, which is then used for other students.

"Before the [Rotary Radio] Day we are phoning businesses and asking them to participate by purchasing 30-second ad spots for \$25. That money all goes towards our fundraiser. We are writing and recording and editing all of their ads ourselves," said Interact Club member Emma

Cox.

"Rotary and Canoe are helping us a lot with getting interviews done to be played on the day of. This year's Rotary Radio Day theme is all about high school and getting everyone in high school involved," she said.

The students are also responsible for organizing a week of fundraising events, including the annual pieing of the teacher, class buy-out, face painting and other activities.

Teacher Jennifer Paton is the staff advisor to the group.

Jenn Watt Staff

Emma Cox, in green, and Oceane Hames research an advertiser for Rotary Radio Day, happening May 14, 2014 on Canoe FM. The pair of students are part of the Rotary Interact Club at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. They are raising money for Education is Power based in Vancouver.



No solar compactor for Maple Lake landfill

Zach Cox
Staff reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed during a May 1 meeting of the Algonquin Highlands council.

At the April 17 Algonquin Highlands council meeting, council decided to expand the proposed Dorset Transfer Station solar compactor project to include the Maple Lake landfill location as well. At the May 1 meeting, Algonquin Highlands public works operations manager Mike Thomas informed council that CIF funding for the Maple Lake compactors would not be available.

According to Thomas, the fact that Maple Lake is using 40-yard bins limits the cost reduction of the upgrade. If the location were to be upgraded from 20-yard bins to 40-yard compactor bins, as is the case at the Dorset location, receiving funding would be more likely. "Already having 40 yard bins at Maple, it's 10.1 years payback so CIF probably won't entertain giving us any funding," he explains.

"At least we'll get [solar compactors] for the one location," says Reeve Carol Moffatt. Councilor Gord Henderson inquired as to whether the Maple Lake upgrade may be possible in the future, and Thomas indicated that the situation would be monitored and the location upgraded once the savings outweigh the costs. Council moved to apply for CIF project funding to install solar compactors Dorset Landfill Transfer Station.

Septic services present issues

While Mitch O'Grady, Algonquin Highlands chief building official and bylaw enforcement officer presented amendments to the Algonquin Highlands building by-law to council, the conversation turned to concerns regarding the transition of septic service responsibility from the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit to the township.

O'Grady listed concerns with the transfer of records and with the fact that over 100 septic deficiency notices issued by the HKPR Health Unit will be passed on to him, and that there has been no indication that the funds for inspections collected by the Health Unit will be passed over to the township. He indicated that it is possible that the township will have to ask permit applicants to pay additional fees in order to cover the costs of performing site inspections.

O'Grady also highlighted the importance of transferring the documentation. "We don't have an understanding of what went on in the past, we need history," he says. Chief administrative officer Angie Bird explained that an email she received earlier in the week indicated that the health unit is committed to getting

the Algonquin Highlands township records from 1998 to the present by the time septic service responsibilities are passed to the township, but that any documentation beyond that date has no proposed delivery date.

"It was our understanding that the cooperation would be forthcoming from the director of health," says O'Grady, "Their lack of responding to their commitment, it's sad."

Moffatt proposed that council keep an eye on the situation, assess the facts and take the necessary action. "Let's gather the facts, make some calls and if we have to take it political we can do

that," she said.

Municipal debt has decreased

Carl Pahapill and MaryAnne Poand of Pahapill and Associates Chartered Accountants presented the draft 2013 financial statements to council, informing them that the municipal debt has decreased from \$413,950 in 2012 to \$365,250 in 2013. Pahapill stated that the township of Algonquin Highlands is in "a stable, healthy financial position."

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True fairness

THE FEDERAL government's Fair Elections Act is a masterpiece of Orwellian linguistics. That's because despite its gleaming title, it's not fair.

The bill making its way through the House of Commons is what its many critics say it is – a partisan piece of legislation designed to give the governing Conservatives subtle, strategic advantages in the 2015 election.

After weeks of mounting pressure – including condemnation from leagues of academics calling the bill undemocratic – the government relented in late April, announcing a series of amendments.

These amendments addressed some of the most controversial aspects of the bill.

One of them was vouching.

In its original form, the bill called for elimination of vouching – one person confirming another's ability to vote – entirely.

Critics said this could potentially prevent thousands of students and First Nations people – generalized as not being big fans of the government – from voting.

This clause was changed so that voters must still present some form of ID, but can vouch for one another's place of residence.

Also setting off all kinds of alarm bells were restrictions on the chief electoral officer.

Initially, the act would have put a gag order on the country's top election official, banning him from speaking publicly on basically anything outside of the mechanics of voting (ie. investigations into fraudulent behaviour).

However, the CEO will now be able to continue to talk openly on subjects of his choosing, presumably since some-

one realized that mitigating his right to free speech was completely and indefensibly insane.

The act will still limit the advertising that Elections Canada can do, including that encouraging Canadians to vote.

Critics have said this will also affect election literacy programs.

One of the most glaring indications as to the true intention of the bill was the part that would have allowed the party that won the most votes in the last election to recommend people to act as central poll supervisors – that is, the people who are in charge of each polling station.

Wowie zowie.

The Fair Elections Act is

now a watered down version of its former self, but it doesn't need tweaking, it needs a trash can.

The most unfair thing about the Fair Elections Act is that no single political party should be changing the rules around elections, events that are the very bedrock of our democratic system.

Regardless of the party, it's the cynical reality of politics that a party with a majority will try to change the rules of the game to its advantage.

It doesn't matter whether it's the Conservatives, the Liberals or any other party that may eventually form a federal government, nothing so important should be left to a single party, since they all have self-interest at heart.

Changes to electoral rules should be made in either a multi-partisan or non-partisan context.

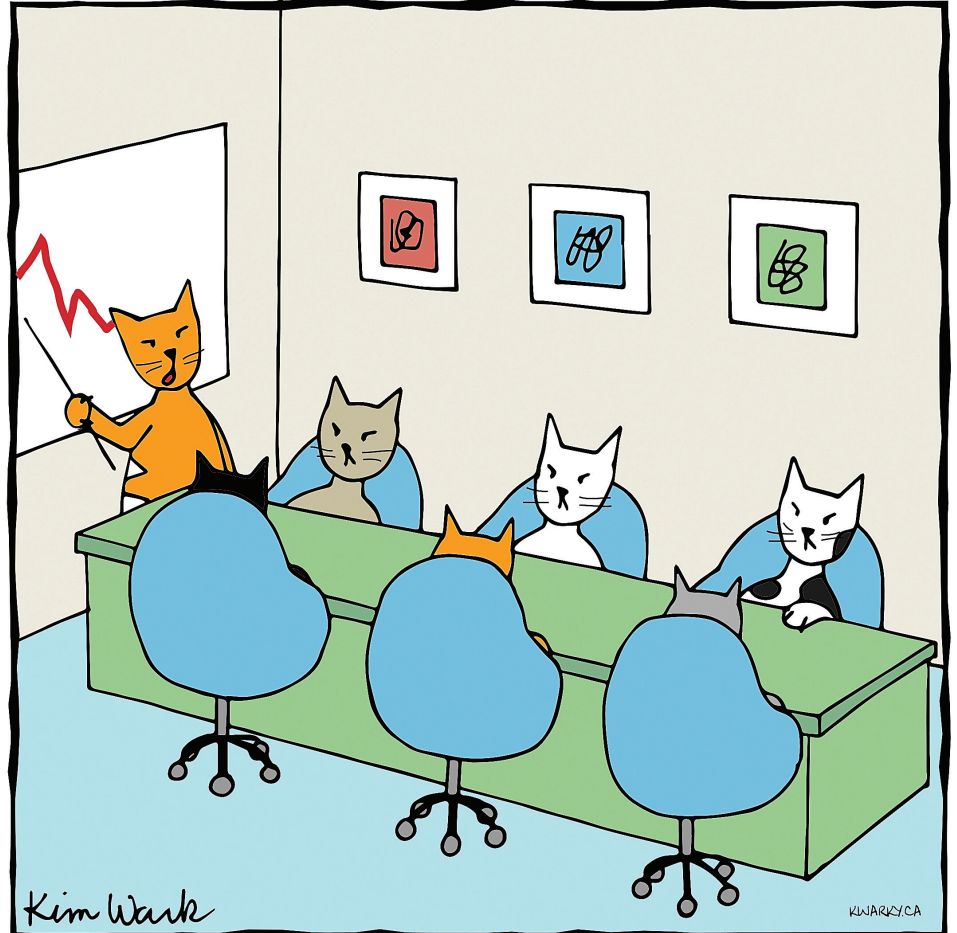
Want to make elections fairer? Pass a bill that requires unanimous consent in the House for changes to election rules.

Really want to make elections fairer? Stop tinkering with Elections Canada and adopt proportional representation already.



Chad Ingram
Reporter

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Kim Wark
"WE'LL USE ANTISOCIAL MEDIA TO REACH MORE CATS."

letters to the editor

County taxes becoming unaffordable

I am writing The County of Haliburton, the Township of Algonquin Highlands and Ministry of Community Safety regarding my concern over the proposed billing formula for OPP providing community policing in Haliburton. I have included the local papers in on my email in hopes they may publish this letter as a community support piece.

The Townships in the County of Haliburton have enjoyed the use of OPP for providing community policing services for longer than me and my family have been property owners in Haliburton. We have been long term property owners for over 60 years and at one time my family even owned a business in Haliburton. We have witnessed ever escalating costs of owning property here at a rate far outweighing the cost of living increases and it could now come to a head where it is no longer affordable to maintain ownership here. This is primarily resulting from the compounding tax increases of the past and now the tax increase that could result from the proposed OPP billing formula. When we purchase our current property back in the 70s, the taxes were approximately \$250 a year. We could now end up paying over \$3,000. Gulp

Owning a property in Haliburton at one time was an affordable option for recreational needs and once was a place for prosperous business ventures. This is no longer the case. Our property taxes alone cost about the same as it does for us to go on a two week vacation to an all inclusive resort in the Caribbean. With the cost of property taxes it is not hard to understand why it is no longer viable to have a business in Haliburton and how a cottage resort or golf course or restaurant, etc. in the county can't possibly compete with the cheaper vacation opportunities to the south. This is a shame as Haliburton has provided me so many fond memories of my life which I am afraid might have to come to an end, and the next generations will not be able to experience.

I do understand the need for a policing billing formula that assures a so called "have not community" pays relatively the same as another "have not community" but it is not fair to expect these areas of the province to pay for the full cost of services like policing, ambulatory services, health care, emergency services and infrastructure. If the true costs of these services were to be put fully on the property taxes of communities like Haliburton, then people would have to leave these areas en masse as it would become completely unaffordable and it's approaching that point.

The entire reason for having a tiered government structure in Canada is to assure there is a somewhat equitable and affordable standard of living for all of its citizens no matter where they live. The areas of Ontario that have much higher taxbases and strong economic structure, can afford to provide some assistance to the areas where the economy is not as strong for whatever the reasons. These other, less prosperous areas provide benefit to the large economic regions of Ontario and their citizens by providing the hugely important environmental areas for wildlife habitat and natural resources which are consumed by the large urban centres. If it is no longer affordable to vacation and spend money in these areas then people will seek the options of going south for all their recreational needs and there goes more money out of the country right at a time when we need to be bringing more money into the country.

If the billing formula goes forward as proposed it will result in a 25 to 30 per cent tax increase to the Township of Algonquin Highlands. This is outrageous and if the province were to ever propose their tax increase at this rate you can be assured there would be a large revolt from the citizens across the province calling for an election in an effort to boot that gov-

points of view

A tense situation

THOSE WHO PAID close attention to my column last week might have noticed a typo.

A sentence near the end of an important dissertation on underwear entitled *For the love of all things holey*, read, “Where did you got the spats?” when it should have read, “Where did you get the spats?”

For this, I apologize.

I was rushed that morning and got sloppy. Furthermore, I sent it in too close to deadline. So the proof reader, who was rushed, missed it, probably because it was at the end of my column and by that point, he had enough.

In any case, this sort of thing happens in the writing business. As a writer you read something over several times and miss the same mistake each time.

That’s why in the writing business a second set of eyes is so important.

In any case, the onus is on the writer – in this case me – to get

things right. So I take full responsibility.

Did the mistake make a huge difference? Not in this case.

If anything, it gave the question a folksier, more conversational feel. It might have even painted a picture of an old Chicago bluesman with a raspy voice asking the question.

If only I had added the word “cat.”

My daughter also pointed out the mistake might have been completely overlooked because people were too busy looking up the word spats – which, as I pointed out to her, is not the past tense of spits.

Which leads us to a far more important issue: people her age do not know what spats are.

This is a stunning indictment on the state of fashion in central Ontario.

After all, there was a time – I

believe around 1906 – when spats were the cat’s pajamas. And, despite all the claw marks I received from my cat Mumbles after trying to dress him in a shrunken pair of my pajamas, that’s generally regarded as a good thing.

Back then, if I recall correctly, no well-dressed man would take a leisurely stroll over to the apothecary for a tall glass of carbonated water without putting on his best set of spats.

Spats, as men of my generation well know, is a shortening of the

words Spatterguard or Spatterdashes. They were initially pieces of material that covered a person’s shoes to prevent the shoes from getting dirty.

Eventually, however, they just became stylish – and a white set of spats was the bee’s knees.

Again, despite the stings I received when trying to determine

if bees do, in fact, have knees, this is supposedly a good thing.

To a humorist of my limited range and imagination, spats are a God-send.

This is my third column in the last two years where I have made reference to them.

Spats just sound funny.

Then again, nothing is funny if the reference is so obscure you have to look it up. I believe it was Pisis-trates who famously alluded to that sentiment.

By the way, humour columnists love the name Pisis-trates too.

I guess I’ve veered a little from the original premise of this column, which was to make a correction for an error that I inflicted upon the reader last week.

So, once again, please accept my apology. I meant to write “get” and instead wrote “got.”

It was a confusion of tenses; but the mistake was all in the past.



Steve Galea
Beyond 35

The death of privacy

I do not agree with what you have to say, but I will defend to the death your right to say it.

Voltaire

IF YOU ARE EVEN a quasi-public figure in this new age of ours, the first thing you must learn is that anything you say to anybody can and probably will be used against you.

If you have any sense at all, before you place a telephone call to a friend, you will write a script for your side of the conversation and stick to it so that you do not say anything that will offend anybody. Ever.

You will start from the assumption that anything you say to your friend may some day be shared with the whole world and your words may destroy you.

For the past couple of weeks, the biggest story in North America was the racist remarks of a billionaire sportsman who hardly anybody who is not a sports nerd would ever have heard of.

The 80-year-old Donald Sterling, who owns the Los Angeles Clippers of the National Basketball Association, asked his then-girlfriend to stop hanging out with black men. After that, his words got ugly.

The whole world was offended. Everybody piled on, including the President of the United States, who took time out from saving us from World War Three to offer his wisdom.

Apparently nobody was offended by the idea of a married octogenarian renting the affection of a partner young enough to be his great-granddaughter, but I digress.

What Donald Sterling said certainly was disgusting and reprehensible, but his remarks only became offensive to us when we were told about them.

For his words were spoken in a private telephone conversation with somebody who he mistakenly imagined was his friend. What was said should have been nobody’s business but theirs.

In Canada, it is (or used to be), illegal to record a phone call without the permission of the party to whom you are speaking, as Lily Tomlin would put it. Legal or not, what kind of person would record a conversation with a friend?

If there are any among you reading this who have never said or thought or written something

offensive, please put up your hand. You will notice both of my hands still rest on my keyboard.

The Brown Dog Jiggs has heard me say outrageous things I do not believe just to draw out more arguments from a conversational partner, and other things that, taken out of context, might cast me into purgatory. How would they look in print?



Neil Campbell
Back of Beyond

Sterling’s credentials as a racist were well-established before his phone call. Evidently nobody noticed. Or

cared. Now the NBA is throwing him overboard as part of its marketing strategy.

It is a relief to know that the world is now safe from billionaire bigots, from anti-Semites (and gay-bashers and misogynists (woman-haters)). Incorrect thoughts are history.

This needs to be said. Sterling was not advocating any action, criminal or otherwise, that would have any effect on anybody except his friend, who could hang up if she didn’t like what she was hearing.

If anybody is responsible for spreading racial tensions, it is not Sterling but the editors who decided his words, spoken in pri-

vate, deserved public scrutiny.

The spewing of indignation drenched our world at about the same time the latest issue of Atlantic magazine reported that southern cities are being allowed to re-segregate their public schools.

Though that is happening right out in the open and certainly will do real harm to African-Americans, no basketball player demanded that anything be done about that.

In the same few days, word came that our government has been tuning in on us at will and a former CIA chief came north to argue that a state is justified in spying on its own citizens to protect their liberty. Huh?

The late, great protest singer Phil Ochs, once parodied liberal convictions with “I believe in freedom, but to a degree,” which is pretty much what everybody thinks now.

If your idea of free speech does not have room for ideas you would rather not hear about, you do not believe in free speech at all.

If no private conversation you have can remain private, there can be no free speech. The very idea of privacy becomes a relic of some forgotten past.

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Stop being an armchair complainer

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ernment. out of power. Well wake up citizens of the rural areas, it is the government of Ontario that is downloading more costs again to the local taxpayer. When will this outrageous downloading from the province ever stop? Do you remember the downloading of highways back in the late 90s, the removal of grants that assured universally good road systems and the downloading of many social services? Those were some of the primary reasons for the property taxes going up so much in the past. The province keeps passing laws making local municipalities implement things because the province can't keep their house in order, so instead of them raising taxes at 25 per cent they pass the buck and your local representatives are left looking like they are the financially irre-

sponsible ones.

If the county is not successful in getting relief of this funding formula then I would suggest the county create its own police force even if it's at or close to the proposed cost for policing so that the government of Ontario will see the disgust from its citizens and fear the next election.

I encourage all property owners in Haliburton to contact the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services to express concern over the proposed billing formula and request a much more affordable policing service. Time to stop being an armchair complainer and take action for your community.

C.A. Campbell
Halls Lake



Guenter Horst submitted this photo of a bear that was taken by a tree camera at a friend's cottage.



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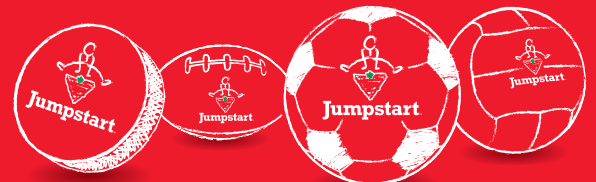
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Above, Alia DalBello helps her little sister Sophie celebrate her third birthday at the family cottage on Soyers Lake.

Top right, Benjamin Bancroft feeds a carrot to a guinea pig.
Middle right, Hailey Switzer (blond hair holding bunny) in Minden.
Bottom right, a baby duck submitted by Joanne Bancroft.

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Devolin to support Fair Elections bill

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MP Barry Devolin says he is surprised that the Conservative government's Fair Elections Act has become such a lightning rod of controversy.

"There's kind of a bandwagon," Devolin said, mentioning the Council of Canadians, a social justice organization, and adding that others seemed to have jumped on.

The act would make numerous changes to rules around elections, including those around vouching and the role of Elections Canada.

Vouching means one person attesting that another is eligible to vote.

In its original form, the bill sought to scrap vouching all together.

"I do not think that it is unreasonable that people need to show a piece of ID in order to vote," Devolin said, adding there are 37 pieces of identification that are acceptable proof of identity.

Devolin spoke to the Times about the bill on April 25. Later that day, Minister of State for Democratic Reform Pierre Poilievre announced the government would make a series of amendments to the bill following weeks of criticism in the House of Commons, the Senate and from academics and elections experts, some of whom called the act unconstitutional.

Revisions will still require voters to produce ID, but, if they lack proof of address, another person can vouch for their place of residence.

Another controversial aspect of the bill has been limits it would put on the country's chief electoral officer.

In the original manifestation of the bill, a gag order would have been placed on the chief electoral officer, prohibiting him from speaking publicly on anything accept the mechanics of an election – how to vote, etc.

Amendments mean the chief electoral officer will be able to speak freely in public. However, the act still places limits on what ads can be run by the chief electoral officer and Elections Canada, including advertising encouraging people to vote.

"The job of Elections Canada

is to administer the election process," Devolin said. "It's not their job to promote democracy. We don't ask the police to give driving lessons."

The MP stressed the government was not eliminating the authority to investigate anomalies in elections.

As for promoting participation in elections, Devolin said there were others to do that.

"All the candidates and their political do," he said, adding organizations such as Vote Canada and Student Vote Canada also promote participation in elections.

While the chief electoral officer has been able to serve to the age of 65, chief electoral officers would be appointed to single terms of 10 years after the retirement of the current CEO.

There would also be changes around spending and donations.

One proposal, a loophole that would have removed limits on fundraising calls to people who had donated \$20 or more in the past five years, was scrapped.

Devolin said he was not intimately familiar with the conversation leading up to that proposal.

Individual donation limits would increase from \$1,200 to \$1,500 and the candidate limits to their campaigns would increase from a limit of \$2,200 to \$5,000.

There were sweeping changes made to election spending rules under former Prime Minister Jean Chretien.

"There was a huge choking of the system, in terms of cash flow," Devolin said.

The changes under the Liberals included banning corporations and unions from making contributions.

"It's still nowhere near what it was 15 years ago," Devolin said. "Fundraising rules sooner or later benefit the parties who work the hardest at it."

Devolin was asked if he thought it was fair for a single party to change the rules around elections.

"If you want to strip away the rhetoric, every single thing that government does is done by one party, if you have a majority government. I don't remember people saying in 2003 [under the Liberals] that it was inappropriate."

Devolin said he expects to support the bill.

Alchemy brews evening of poetry



Members of the ensemble Alchemy perform a blend of music and poetry at the Dominion Hotel on May 3. Poet Lea Harper regaled the crowd with poems about being a housekeeper, Kennisis Lake and an advertisement for a day trip to the Kingston Psychiatric hospital, while Craig Paterson strummed his upright bass.

Below from left, Pete Woolidge on the piano and Craig Paterson on percussion.

Angelica Blenich
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The road to Hyland Crest

Kitty Dawson: a life of world travels

Jenn Watt
Editor

This is part a series of articles about the residents of Haliburton County's long-term care facilities. In these pieces, we will be asking the subjects about their unique journeys in life – the road to Hyland Crest.

International politics first made Kitty Dawson, 90, a world traveller out of necessity.

Born in England, she and her husband George came to Canada with daughter in tow following the Second World War.

But since that time, Dawson became a jet setter for the love of it, visiting dozens of locales and bringing back a decorative spoon each time.

"I used to travel a lot with a friend after my husband died, because he died young," says Dawson looking at a wall display filled with spoons in her room at Minden's Hyland Crest.

Each one has a small depiction of the country she visited – a little person, animal, coat of arms – and Dawson can easily name off the countries as the spoons are pointed out.

Her favourite city to visit was Rome. Her favourite travel experience is the boat cruise.

"No. 1: they have a pool on the ship. You don't have to go in the deep water if you don't want to," says Dawson in a soft British



Jenn Watt Staff
Kitty Dawson, 90, immigrated to Canada from England after the Second World War. Later in life, she travelled the world before moving into Hyland Crest.

accent, smiling widely.

"They have all kinds of things going. They have movies going, teas and whatever. In the evening they have the meal and around nine or 10 o'clock they have a great big buf-

fet and oh, the food! And they don't just put food out there. They put it in a Christmas tree [shape] or something with food and different designs," she says.

"We all had our pictures taken with the

captain."

Dawson lived in Sault Ste. Marie before coming to Minden to be close to her daughter Kim, one of her four children.

She says she still misses the open water she used to see near her Hastings home in East Sussex, England.

"I think what I miss here is seeing the water because in England we were quite close to the coastline," she says.

If the war hadn't happened, Dawson likely wouldn't have found herself in Canada.

But it was the scarcity faced by the English following the conflict that made things hard, especially with a young child.

"After the war, we were rationed very badly with food. I had a little baby. They did give extra food to the children. My brother-in-law, who had immigrated to Canada, he sent us home a big parcel of food," she says.

"When my brother-in-law from Canada sent us food my husband said 'come on, we're going to Canada. We can't put up with this.' We were also rationed with clothing. I was lucky, I made clothes. It was a rough time," she says.

She still makes clothes today, but for a different reason.

On her bedside table sits a pattern for baby clothes. She's knitting a project for her newest great-grandchild.




Community sends best wishes to retiring host

OPP Const. Paul Potter presents a pair of handcuffs to Mike Jaycock, centre, on his last day on radio station Canoe FM. After more than 10 years on the air, Jaycock is stepping back from his volunteer duties due to health reasons. Admirers and fans came to wish Jaycock well on May 2 at the station, presenting him with gifts, tokens of appreciation, memories and many laughs. **Angelica Blenich Staff**

It was standing room only for Mike Jaycock's final farewell in the radio hall at Canoe FM on May 2. Community members came out to tell the popular morning show host how much his voice and personality will be missed.



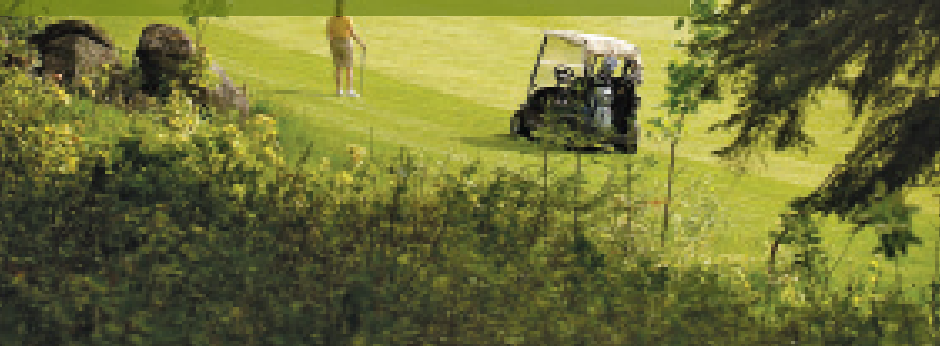


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Rhubarb hosts event in support of food bank

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

Danielle Barter thought a great way to support a local food bank would be with a food-themed event.

So the employee of Carnarvon restaurant Rhubarb approached chef Christoph Carl and Terri Matthews-Carl with the idea of hosting a brunch in support of the Minden Food Bank and the new food hub currently under construction.

"We're all so comfortable and some people in Haliburton aren't," said Barter on why she wanted to give back to the community.

On May 4 more than 70 guests enjoyed a delicious brunch in support of the cause, savouring items such as eggs benedict, shrimp, quiche and much more.

Silent auction items up for grabs included gift certificates to local businesses, overnight packages and jewellery.

All staff who were at the event volunteered their time, said Barter.

The young woman from Minden was thrilled with the success of the event and for the support from the community.



Angelica Blenich Staff

Eleanor Dobbins checks out the silent auction items up for grabs at Rhubarb during a brunch in support of the Minden Food Bank and food hub on May 4. More than 70 guests wined and dined in support of the cause, raising money for the local organization. The event was organized by Danielle Barter, who works at Rhubarb.



Bonnie-Lee Berry and Steve Berry enjoy the variety of culinary treats at Rhubarb during a brunch in support of the Minden Food Bank and food hub on May 4.



Delicious food on hand at the Rhubarb fundraiser included shrimp, a variety of salads, eggs benedict, quiche and much more.

Granny tea to include sister of Stephen Lewis

Grannies to Grannies is holding a special tea party on June 1 from 2 to 4 p.m. to raise money for the Stephen Lewis Foundation.

The guest speaker will be Janet Solberg, Stephen Lewis's sister, along with another representative from the foundation. They will present a slideshow of the organization's dollars at work in Africa.

The group was formed in the fall of 2006 by a group of six women in the Haliburton Highlands.

Their first event was the Christmas musical open house at Stouffer Mill Bed and Breakfast. That first event raised \$2,000 and gained 15 new members.

The group now has 60 members from across Haliburton County and has raised \$60,000 since it formed.

The Haliburton Highlands Grannies are one of more than 200 chapters across Canada that raises funds for grandmothers in Africa who are left to take care of their grandchildren when their children contract HIV/AIDS.

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OFSAA bronze in badminton for Hawks

The Red Hawks senior boys doubles badminton team of Tanner Hamilton and Curtis Ballantyne struck bronze in the C flight at the Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations (OFSAA) championship in Markham last week.

It was their first trip to the all-provincials in badminton and second-ever OFSAA berth.

Earlier this year the pair won OFSAA bronze with the Hawks varsity hockey team.

*A follow-up story will run in next week's *Times*.

Fantastic start for girls' soccer team

The junior girls' soccer team is to be congratulated on a fantastic start to the season against LCVI. The girls played a strong defensive game lead by Vivian Collings and scored their first goal of the game on a pass by Evelyn Woof through to Shelby Murdock who had no trouble manoeuvring it past the goalie.

The senior girls' soccer team put forth a great effort but were unable to hold back the LCVI Spartans.



Getting a move on

Ann MacDonald leads a class of 11 through a series of tai chi moves. MacDonald has been teaching tai chi in Haliburton County for two years now. In Haliburton County, there are Taoist tai chi classes available every day of the work week. A schedule of times and locations can be found online at taoist.org/peterborough. If you are registered as a member of the Taoist organization, you can attend any Taoist tai chi class available in more than 25 countries around the world.

Zach Cox Staff

Local karate competitor reflects on Scottish Championships

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

Sixteen-year-old Owen MacKeigan is still excited about his Scottish experience and has the purple plaid pants to prove it.

MacKeigan is looking forward to a strong future in karate after winning a bronze medal at the Scottish International Open Karate Championships from April 26 to 27 at the Meadowbank Sports Centre in Edinburgh.

The caliber of competition in the kata – an execution of a series of offensive and defensive karate techniques against imaginary opponents – and the kumite – a battle between two competitors – was far higher than what he is used to.

Although MacKeigan lost his first kumite match, he scored a kumite victory in his second match against a Scottish competitor, finishing with a winning punch that left his opponent dazed. This was good enough for third in his first international competition.

MacKeigan also competed in kata, but did not advance from his opening round of competition.

Although he had aspirations for a stronger finish, he is still grateful and appreciative to everyone who helped with getting him to Scotland and the opportunity to compete internationally.

He thanks the Minden Kin Club, Archie Stouffer Elementary School staff, most notably teachers Mr. and Mrs. Callaghan, "and everybody in general who supported me."

The Haliburton Highlands Secondary School student spent the April 21 to 27 week in Scotland, his ancestral homeland.

MacKeigan, who is of Scottish descent and a history buff, loved the historic buildings such as the castles like Sterling Castle and St. Andrews Castle.

Before he left, he promised to return with a kilt.

However when faced with the choice of purple plaid pants or a kilt, he chose the pants, knowing he would wear them more often.

MacKeigan is a member of the Kawartha Lakes Wado-Kai Karate club based in Lindsay and also teaches four young students at the Minden Wado-Kai club at Archie Stouffer Elementary School. MacKeigan started teaching two years ago, taking over from his grandfather who started the Minden club.

Including MacKeigan, there were seven other Canadian competitors at the championships and two coaches four of whom were national team members.

The opportunity to spend time with national team members, watch how they went about preparing and what they did in matches was a great learning opportunity for him.

He believes it has improved his chances to make the national team when tryouts are held this June.

"It was a giant stepping stone in my journey to the goal of [making the] national team," he said. "If I don't make it this year I'll try it the next time."

Owen MacKeigan of Minden holds his bronze medal earned at the Scottish International Open Karate Championships in Edinburgh a few weeks ago. MacKeigan is working to make the national karate team.



Darren Lum Staff

Owen MacKeigan of Minden returned with a bronze medal and a new perspective after competing at the Scottish International Open Karate Championships a few weeks ago. MacKeigan is working to make the national karate team.






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This will be a great opportunity to meet and network with other local young professionals.

Friday, May 9

6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Location: Pinestone Resort, 4252 County Road #21

Cost: FREE Event! Cash bar & free snacks!

May Business After Hours

Join us for a BAH hosted by the 2015 Ontario 55+ Winter Games Committee! Find out from committee members how you can get involved in this great series of events happening from February 17th - 19th, 2014. Connect with local Chamber members, exchange ideas and talk business in a relaxed setting at our monthly BAH events.

Tuesday, May 20

5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Location: Pinestone Resort, 4252 County Road #21

Cost: FREE for Members! (1st time guests FREE, repeat guests \$10) Cash bar & tasty treats. Please RSVP to Lauren at lauren@haliburtonchamber.com or (705) 457-4700.

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Members are invited to review the accomplishments of the Chamber over the past year, elect officers to the Board of Directors and look forward to the future of the Chamber in the Haliburton Highlands.



Thursday, June 19th 2014
7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

Royal Canadian Legion, Minden Branch
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Dale says, "We pride ourselves not only in selling and renting reliable, quality tools and equipment but also in excellent customer service."

Their product lineup includes Stihl chainsaws and trimmers, Ariens lawn and garden tractors, Honda ATVs and accessories, lawn mowers and generators and power equipment as well as Patron power washers. They also carry wheel barrows, diamond blades and just about any other tool that proves useful around the house or jobsite. They're geared to the realities of rural life, as evidenced by the fact they sell culverts and big "Os" too.

The business runs a full parts and service repair centre for all manufacturers they represent. They're a warranty dealership for Briggs and Stratton, Kawasaki, Honda, and Subaru small engines too and service most makes and models of ATVs.

"We employ two certified Master-Tech Stihl mechanics too," says Dale. "So we offer small engine repairs on-site."

All that is why their motto "We sell the best and service the rest" is well-earned.

The business' rental side means contractors, cottagers and homeowners can rent well-maintained industrial-grade equipment for those big or small jobs.

"We offer everything from plumbing snakes to excavators," says Dale. "We're continually upgrading our equipment so the customer gets the best available."

As a result, the business has developed a loyal and much-appreciated customer base.

Dale, who is also Chairman of the Ontario Chapter of the CRA, says that's aided by the support he gets from his independent colleagues in the rental business.

"The support and friendships that we've gotten from our competitor in the rental business is something I really value too. Usually, in other businesses, competitors won't help each other. In this business, we do."

He says this arrangement benefits rental businesses and provides the best service to customers. "If we don't have it; we probably know someone who does and that means we can get it."

Minden Hills Rent-All is located at 104 Golf Course Road off of Highway 35 in Minden. They can be reached at 705-286-3047 or by email at mhra@cottagecountry.net.



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A few items can make emergencies more tolerable

➤ Non-perishable food, safe supply of water and cash can go a long way in power outage

Jenn Watt
Editor

In August of 2006, while many were struggling without power following a tornado that rolled through Haliburton County, Marci Mandel and Alan Clark were making the best of it with their neighbours.

The couple, who have a water-access home on Devil's Lake near Minden, were prepared for an emergency with extra water, a back-up generator and plenty of fuel.

"The barbecue was used a lot for cooking. We had friends over. People had never been to our place before. It was a party. It was an adventure. We made the most of it," said Mandel.

Mandel and Clark bought their property in 1992, moving up fulltime in 1995.

After a couple of stressful power outages, they figured out what supplies they needed to make sure they could get by without hydro.

"You get burned a few times and then you learn. You're more prepared each time something happens. Also because we're boat access, we were staying in. We had to be self-reliant and had a cold cellar with extra food and a freezer with extra milk. We had all that. Also, because we're a bit remote, I'd taken a wilderness first aid course because you just don't know what's going to happen," said Mandel.

While Mandel and Clark are more prepared than most, Haliburton County Paramedic Service chief Craig Jones said everyone should have enough food and water to get by for 72 hours during an emergency.

"It's thinking ahead and being prepared for those emergencies. [For example], what is going to happen when the power goes out? I'm not going to have water. What do I need for lighting? What do I need for food? Those kinds of proactive, preventative preparedness steps to take," he said.

The paramedic service is spending this week spreading the word about the importance of being prepared. Each

day they are sharing tips on their Facebook page (www.facebook.com/haliburtoncountyparamedicservice) and Twitter feed (@HaliburtonMedic) and information magnets have been distributed for free pick-up at all of the county's libraries as well as at the Minden county office, visitor tourism information centre and the Haliburton ambulance base.

Emergency personnel want everyone to be able to get by for 72 hours in order to allow them to get to those who are in greater need of help.

"In the event of a large-scale emergency, we don't want everyone burdening the system: the responders, the community. We need to deal with the vulnerable people. The thought is if you're agile and able to take care of yourself, be prepared to deal by yourself," said Jones.

According to the government of Canada, an emergency kit should include two litres of water per person per day; food that won't spoil; a flashlight and batteries; first-aid kit; medications; cash; an extra set of keys; radio; manual can opener; and a copy of your emergency plan.

Jones adds to that matches and candles.

Like Mandel, many in the county are already quite adept at getting by, he said.

"We in a rural environment are very good at that. We hunker down and take care of ourselves. We have our friends over and have barbecues, we do what we can do," Jones said.

Even so, he said, everyone should make sure they have an emergency kit and a plan that everyone is aware of.

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At the same time, in the main clubroom there was a table of ladies who came early for lunch and then stayed to play darts at 1 p.m. They want to extend an invitation to any women who like a friendly game of darts, to come play Thursdays at 1 p.m. They play three games for \$3, which goes toward the awards lunch at the end of the year.

Behind the closed doors of the games room, volunteers were also busily setting up the tables for 21 people from Community Care. This is a

monthly lunchtime outing which the guests really seem to enjoy.

The fourth Thursday of the month residents of Hyland Crest also come to the Minden Legion to enjoy a meal together. If your group would also like a private meeting over a tasty lunch, the third Thursday of the month is now available. There is no room rental charge, just the cost of each meal. To learn more, phone the branch at 705-286-4541 and talk to the hospitality chairperson.

One of our other popular activities is Euchre on Thursday nights starting at 7:30. This is one more event which is open to the public, and the cost is just \$3 per person.

Our best wishes for a speedy recovery go out to our Padre, Rev. Tim Sharpe. He was in the Peterborough hospital as a result of a stroke, but he seems to be doing OK now and we hope he will be back again real soon.

Marguerite's Garden at the front entrance to the branch is starting to look like spring is finally here. Our thanks to all the volunteers who have been cleaning the parking lot of winter grime.

Members are reminded of the annual meeting and election of officers to take place Wednesday night starting at 7:30 p.m. The names of proposed candidates have been posted on the whiteboard in the clubroom. Please come out to vote for those who are willing to stand for office, and show your support by volunteering on a committee. If every member committed just four hours a month we would not have to rely so much on our most dedicated volunteers.



Rotary smiles at VDO

The members of the Rotary Club of Haliburton, from left Brian Nash, Maureen O'Hara, Mark Dennys, Dorothy Menton, Brian Menton, David Zilstra and Lance Edwards presented a \$2,500 cheque to the Volunteer Dental Outreach board of directors Mark Arike, Janis Parker, Bill Kerr, Lisa Kerr, Kathy Purc, Melanie Aldom, Sandra Slauenwhite-Box and Brigitte Gebauer. This money will pay for dental equipment. To date, the VDO has provided \$900,228 worth of free dental care to 414 patients and have offered 2,488 appointments to low income residents in Haliburton County.

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Since that time, The Stop has undergone a radical reinvention. Participation has overcome embarrassment, and the isolation of poverty has been replaced with a vibrant community that uses food to build hope and skills, and to reach out to those who need a meal, a hand and a voice. It is now a thriving, internationally respected Community Food Centre with gar-

dens, kitchens, a greenhouse, farmers' markets and a mission to revolutionize our food system.

The remarkable story of The Stop's transformation is one in which everyone has a dignified, healthy place at the table. By turns funny, sad and raw, *The Stop* is a timely story about overcoming obstacles, and creating lasting change.

The Stop by Nick Saul and Andrea Curtis is available to reserve at the Haliburton County Public Library and a nominee for the 2014 Evergreen™ Award. Read as many on the Evergreen list as you like and vote for your favourite in October.

Library News

Give your garden a Head Start! Learn what seeds to start indoors at the Haliburton County Seed Library workshop 6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 8 at the Dysart branch.

Watch for more news from the Haliburton County Public Library alternating weeks in the *Haliburton Echo* and *Minden Times*.

Bryn Vollans wins Easter contest

Melissa Alfano
Dorset News

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The Dorset post office held an Easter colouring contest for the children of Dorset. Kids were encouraged to pick a picture to colour or bring in one of their own. The artwork was on display in the front window and a draw for an Easter gift basket was held on April 22. Congratulations to winner Bryn Vollans! A special thank you to all the participants Seth, Coralee, Laurie, Noah, Emma, Liam and Bryn comes from the post office's Rose MacKay.

The Dorset Community Partnership along with many other groups and organizations are facilitating a meeting at the Dorset Rec Centre on Thursday, May 8 from 5:30 to 8 p.m. All are welcome to this round table and networking event for residents interested in linking the small communities of Lake of Bays, socially and economically. Please RSVP by visiting www.ywcamuskoka.com or by calling 705-645-9827.

St. Mary Magdalene's Anglican Church is hosting a Mother's Day Dinner at the Dorset Rec Centre on Sunday, May 11 with social time starting at 5:30 p.m. and dinner at 6 p.m. Dinner is free for mothers and children but dads have to pay. Donations are also gratefully accepted to help cover costs. It will be a ham dinner with all the fixings. For information, give Pat a call at 705-766-2373.

Arts 4 Youth, a co-ed arts based youth program for kids ages nine to 15 takes place on Mondays to May 12 and wants to share the great news that the program will continue Mondays in June, from 7 to 8:30 pm. The cost to participate is \$25 for the session (or \$5 per evening). The session will include a healthy snack and art making and will be facilitated by Elise Muller of Stone Tree Studio. Registration is required. Please call Elise at 705-766-1382 or email her at info@stonetreestudio.ca.

Birthday wishes for May 4 to 10 go out to Jasmine Dukoff, Kayla Leslie and Bill Johnson.

If you have items for the Dorset News, please send them to my home email address which is malfano@hotmail.ca or give me a call at home at 705-766-0076.

County card scores



by Patti Fleury
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April 29 contract bridge at Club 35: The high scoring quartet members were Elaine Burbidge 6,400, Rob Eaton 5,070, Nel Van der Grient 4,900 and Muriel McIntosh 4,550 with Nancy Kursbatt awarded the Lucky Loonie.

April 29 contract bridge at Minden United Church: Nancy Ballantyne reports that the top trio members were Heather Harrington 5,430, Diane James 4,360 and Dick Schell 4,170. Donna McArthur and Carol Thompson teamed up for a Small Slam.

April 29 euchre at Lochlin Community Centre: Lone hand honours went to Gord Darby with Rae Dawn Shephard and Ed McDowall posting the high scores. The evening's lows were claimed by Reta Crofts and Terry Davis while Hazel Benetin won the draw. Thanks to Nancy McPherson for this update.

April 29 Minden Seniors bid euchre at Minden Legion: Leading ladies were Sharon Jarvis 307, Marcy Morgan 284, our reporter Betty Wagar 262 and Pat Dickson 257. At 294 Ron Morrison took top marks for the gents followed by Jesse Barlow 276, Kevin Maloney 274 and Dana Briscoe 266. Tom Grix won the major draw, Ron Morrison, Sharron Atkinson and Leslie Thatcher claimed the smaller prizes and moonshots went to Georgina Parkes, Kevin Maloney, Clare Obdam and Theresa Deak.

April 29 Mixed Shuffleboard at Stanhope Firehall: In first place was the duo of Beverly Kerr and Jean Randell at 403 then Ray Lymer going solo at 336. Connie Sawyer and Sandy Poulton teamed up for third spot at 327 while the afternoon's low of 232 went to George Hamilton and Joan Bell. This news comes from Pearl Cowen.

April 30 duplicate bridge at Parklane, Haliburton: North/South leaders were Vange Croucher and our bridge reporter Margo Davidson 65 percent then Gord Cochrane partnered with Peter O'Connor 58 percent. Tied at 58 percent for top spot in East/West were Tom and Dorothy Howat and Jan and Dave Heaven.

April 30 bid euchre at Stanhope: For the pinks Yette Ezard led at 307 then Jean Scadden 285 and Wendy 266. First for the whites at 331 was Karen Chapman followed by Peter Farr 259 and Pat Scadden 258 with Pat Marshall claiming the single moonshots. Thanks to Linda Lambert for this update.

May 1 bid euchre at Minden Community Centre: Bev Johnson reports that for the ladies Marcy Morgan led at 312 followed by Pat Roussel 303, Pauline Franzen 285 and Pearl Cowen 269. At 276 Pat Scadden took top marks for the gents

then Dorothy McElwain 248, Ron Morrison 229 and Albert Foster 228. Jesse Barlow won for both the hidden score and call 1 while moonshots landed on Leslie Thatcher, Kevin Maloney, Clare Obdam, Pat Roussel, Albert Foster and Pat Norman.

May 1 euchre at Minden Legion: Lone hand holders were Pat McInnis and Howard Smith with Muriel McIntosh and Tom Orr posting the high scoes. The evening's lows went to Theresa and John Deak while Bev Johnson, Murray Daniels, Pat McInnis and Tom Orr [2] took home the other prizes. Thanks to May Bradbury for this report.

May 2 euchre at Staunworth Court, Minden: Sherin Brown won for high hands, our interim reporter Doreen Francis for lone hands, Bev Johnson for low hands and Nick Boekestyn for the special prize.

May 2 duplicate bridge at Echo Hills, Haliburton: Playing Howell Fran and Norm Smith led at 66 percent then Nancy Jackson and Kathie Porter 63 percent. Willie and Jack Cox were third at 58 percent followed by Rob Eaton partnered with Peter O'Connor 54 percent.

May 2 bid euchre at Club 35: Pink power was with Joyce Wilson 228, Linda Voycey 218 and Anne Manning 215. First for the whites at 263 was Al McMullen then Merv Elstone 249 and Garth Windsor 235 with Jean Dutka also reporting that Clara Miscio held the hidden score.

May 3 bid euchre at Staunworth Terrace, Minden: Leading ladies were Sharron Atkinson 267, Jean Scadden 261, Pearl Cowen 251 and Karen Chapman 240. First for the gents at 356 was Jason Peacock followed by Kevin Maloney 270, Howard Smith 200 and Pat Scadden 195. Ida Young won the special prize while Pat Scadden [3], Archie Ross, Jason Peacock and our reporter Albert Foster had moonshots.

May 5 euchre at St. Paul's Friendship Club, Minden: Lone hand honours went to Mabel Deacon and Maxine Snell with Kay Naylor and Lorna Hicks posting the high scores. The afternoon's low went to Yvonne Arbutnot while Marion Stickwood also won the draw. Thanks to our interim reporter Kay Godden for this news. Tim and Betty Sharpe are much in the thoughts and prayers of their many friends at St. Paul's during this period of Tim's hospitalization. Every week when he called in the scores from the Friendship Club Tim would remind me that the key word truly was friendship along with fun and fellowship.

May 5 Kinmount Seniors bid euchre at Kinmount Legion: Rose Isaacson reports that Pauline Franzen led the scoring at 265 then Marcy Morgan 255 and Pat Roussel 243. The draw went to Rae Dawn Shephard while Ken Telford and DAne Briscoe took the moonshots.

May 5 euchre at Staunworth Terrace, Minden: From Sherin Brown comes the news that Bev Johnson won for high hands, Pearl Cowen for lone hands, Lil Mann for low hands and Joan Riel for the special prize.

May 5 euchre at Club 35: For most lone hands it was Dave Lamb with Marion Farr and Al McMullen recording the high scores. The evening's lows went to Loretta Lamb and our reporter Garth Windsor while Anne Manning claimed the baloney. Two special prizes were awarded to Joan Mann and Loretta Lamb.

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Patti Fleury
Around the Town

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Here at the old farmhouse the buzz around the water cooler is all about nicknames. As a kid mine was 'little beaver' due to a pronounced overbite the result of prolonged thumb sucking. In those days braces were rare and there was certainly no money for them anyway in our household. The name calling was not cruel like today's bullying except that directed at my redheaded friend Joan who was taunted regularly on our four daily walks between home and school. So why the reference to nicknames? Well just try these on for size. What in our natural world are known in Martha's Vineyard as "pinkletinks", in New Brunswick "tinkletoes" and on Nova Scotia's South Shore "pink-winks"? Well this evening just step out onto the porch and hear the chorus of spring peepers as the males mating serenade resembles the sound of sleigh bells. A small chorus frog with a body length of less than one to 1.5 inches peepers are found through the eastern U.S.A. and Canada living primarily in forests and regenerating woodlands with the eggs and tadpoles needing access to an aquatic environment as they develop. Along with a blush of light green on the old lilac grove the sound of these tiny musicians is yet another welcome sign of rural Spring.

A reminder about the meeting being hosted by the Kinmount Pioneer Society this Saturday, May 10th at 2 p.m. in the Galway Hall. The Society is looking for volunteers to assist with the 30th annual Pioneer Exhibit at the Kinmount Fair on August 29th to Sept. 1. Also the call is out for crafters/artists with special talents that reflect our heritage. If interested in demonstrating these skills at the Pioneer Exhibit any day during the Kinmount Fair please call 705-488-1395 or come along and meet the others involved on May 10th.

From the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 441 Kinmount a notice that Friday, May 9 by Royal proclamation has been declared a National Day of Honour in Canada in recognition and commemoration of our country's military mission over the past

12 years in Afghanistan. Upcoming events are the monthly Big Bucks Bid Euchre on Wednesday, May 14 at 11 a.m. with a \$10 fee which includes lunch and on Friday, May 16 at 6:45 p.m. it's a special Victoria Day Bingo with cash prizes and a \$500 Must Go Jackpot. Wednesday night Summer Drop-in Darts has already started up and non-members are welcome to come out.

Saturday, May 24 at 8 p.m. there will be an open mike jam session with Dan Nickel and the monthly liver and onions lunch comes up on Tuesday, May 27 at a cost of \$7 which includes entree, beverage and dessert.

At the Kinmount branch of the City of Kawartha Lakes Library the monthly book sale by the Friends of the Library will be held on Saturday, May 17 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the lower level. Get a head start on your summer reading with great bargains and at the same time support this busy branch (705-488-3199).

The Victoria Day weekend will see the return of the Kinmount Farmers Market on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Austin Sawmill Park. For information about being a vendor call 705-799-1237. At the historic Railroad Station the Kinmount Model Railway & Museum will welcome visitors every Satur-

day from the Victoria Day through to Thanksgiving Weekend from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and also on Sundays of long weekends and Canada Day. Special openings for individuals and groups can be accommodated by prior arrangement. The Station is wheelchair accessible and provides an array of tourism brochures and information. Admission into the Model Railway & Museum section is by donation. For more information please go to www.kinmountrailwaymuseum.com or contact the Club by email at kinmountrailway@gmail.com.

At the Kinmount Artisans Marketplace in celebration of its 15th anniversary the Summer Draw will begin on Friday, May 16 with a free entry with purchase. Prizes to be drawn in mid-August will include local visual arts and hand-crafted items kindly donated by members of the Kinmount and Area Artisans Guild. The draw for the gift certificate for those who entered that contest on Facebook will be made on Victoria Day. Regular open hours continue on Friday, Saturday and Sundays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. until June 20th when the Marketplace will be open every day through to Thanksgiving.

A very Happy Mother's Day this Sunday, May 11. Until next week....



REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Lease and Development of Vacant Land at the Haliburton-Stanhope Airport

The Township of Algonquin Highlands is accepting detailed aviation-related proposals for the long-term lease and development of an unserved parcel of land adjacent to the airport.

PROPERTY LOCATION: The 1.58 acre parcel of vacant land is located at the corner of Green Lake Road and Stanhope Airport Road shown as Part 2 on Plan 19R-7965, Part Lot 31 Concession 5, geographic Township of Stanhope.

CLOSING DATE: Wednesday, May 21, 2014 at 3pm

Sealed proposals plainly marked: "Lease and Development of Vacant Land at the Haliburton-Stanhope Airport RFP #2014-003 should be submitted to the name and address noted below.

Electronic or fax submissions will not be accepted. RFP documents can be found at www.algonquinhighlands.ca.

For further information, please call 705-489-2379.

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PUBLIC NOTICE To Incorporate Part 8 Of The Ontario Building Code Regarding On-Site Sewage Systems into the Building By-law

TAKE NOTICE pursuant to Section 7 of the Ontario Building Code Act, 1992 empowers Council to pass certain by-laws respecting construction, demolition, change of use, permits, fees and inspections. The Council of the Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands will be holding a **Public Meeting on June 19, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.** in the Council Chambers at 1123 North Shore Road, Algonquin Highlands, Ontario, to incorporate Part 8 of the Ontario Building Code related to On-Site Sewage Systems.

AND TAKE NOTICE that any person may attend the meeting, or submit in writing, in support of or objection to the By-law setting out the objection to the By-law and the reasons of the objection.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT OF THE BY-LAW

The purpose of the by-law to repeal By-law 2013-6 and create a new by-law Building By-law to incorporate Part 8 of the Building Code which addresses On-Site Sewage Systems. The new by-law will include the definition of a sewage system, design criteria and permit fees for the administration and inspections of the sewage systems.

Additional information relating to the by-law amendment is available for review by contacting the Building Department during regular offices hours (8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.).

Dated at the Township of Algonquin Highlands this 7th day of May 2014.

Dawn Newhook, Clerk
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Applicant: McGEE
Shore Road Allowance Closing
Lot 20, Concession 3, Beech Lake
Geographic Township of Stanhope

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands has declared part of the original shore road allowance lying in front of Lot 20, Concession 3, Beech Lake, in the geographic Township of Stanhope, in the Township of Algonquin Highlands, County of Haliburton, to be surplus.

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands proposes to enact a By-Law to stop-up, close and convey to the abutting property owner(s) part of the original shore road allowance lying in front of Lot 20, Concession 3, Beech Lake, in the geographic Township of Stanhope, in the Township of Algonquin Highlands, County of Haliburton.

FIRSTLY: THAT part of the original shore road allowance in front of Lot 20, Concession 3 described as Part 1 on a Plan deposited in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of Haliburton County as Plan 19R-9622.

The proposed By-Law will come before the said Council for consideration at its regular meeting at the Algonquin Highlands Municipal Office, 1123 North Shore Road, on the **15th day of May, 2014 at the hour of 9:00 a.m.**, and at that time, the Council will hear in person or by his/her counsel, solicitor or agent any person who claims that his/her land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard.

Dated: May 7, 2014

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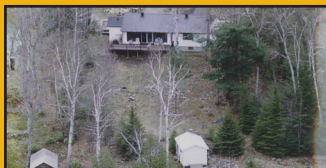
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Haliburton Lake \$429,000

- Spectacular 3 bedroom cottage
- Sweeping views of Haliburton Lake
- Dbl garage with huge loft above
- Boathouse/Bunkie at water's edge

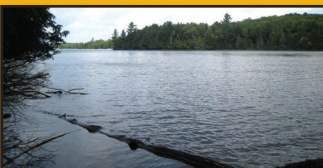
Drew Bishop 457-2128 x 23



Kushog Lake \$298,000

- 148 ft west facing, 1 acre property
- 3 bdrm with Bunkie on owned shoreline
- Rock shelf shoreline and deep water
- Great boating on this 2 lake 12 mile chain

Dagmar Boettcher 489-9968



Direct waterfront with 16 acres \$169,900

- 300 feet of level waterfront
- Sloping lot for walk-out basement
- Hydro at lakeside; Well treed
- Close to Haliburton for amenities

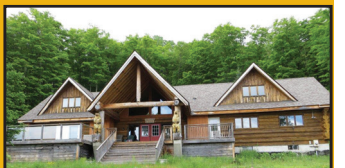
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1122 FT Ftg Kennisis (Paddys Bay) \$479,000

- 1122 ft FT, 24 acres, level, treed
- Naturalist dream property, sand beach
- 3 bdrm, 2 bath, laundry, cathedral, Lg LR
- Full basement, W/O & unfinished, private

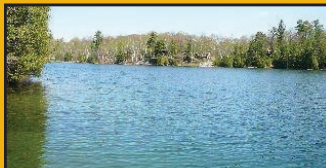
Gloria Carnochan & Cindy Muenzel 754-1932



Log Home with Acreage & View of Pond \$319,900

- Approx 507 Ft road frontage and 51 acres
- Approx 3900 Sq Ft, 9 bdrms, 2 bath
- Wood-burning fireplace, a woodstove in great room
- Newer roof, home inspection completed

Mark Denny 457-2128 x 30



Point Lot on Clear Lake \$149,000

- 115' sand & deep water frontage
- Just under one acre, good privacy
- Perfect building site with multi views
- Crystal Clean "Clear" Lake, BEAUTIFUL

Tom Ecclestone 286-2138 x 26



Kushog Lake \$275,000

- West facing, 188 ft PRIVATE shell/sand shore
- Older 600 sq. ft 2 BR with composting toilet
- Gently sloping treed lot bounded by rd allowance
- Newer dock, shingles, pump; 12 miles boating

Lee Gauthier 489-9968



Minden In-Town Home \$154,900

- 2 BR home with single att'd garage
- Walk to downtown Minden
- Big back yard; nice neighbourhood
- Good opportunity for 1st time buyer

Ed Gibbons 286-2138 x 28



Haliburton Home \$349,000

- Beautiful 3 BR home 5 mins. from Haliburton
- 13 acres with pond, gardens, deck & patio
- Granny suite; screened in porch; hardwood flrs
- Large bedrooms; open concept kit/dining room

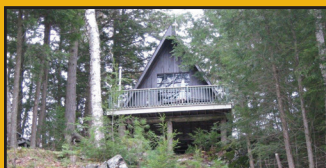
Andrew Hodgson 286-2138 x 29



Long Lake \$279,900

- Nicely-kept 3BR cottage on 2-Lake chain
- Bunkie with loft at waterfront
- Nice clean shoreline, sunset exposure
- Easy year-round Municipal road access

Susanne James & Andy Mosher 457-2128 x 33



Kennisis Lake \$329,000

- Classic "A" frame cottage
- 110 foot frontage; private setting
- Western exposure & a big lake view
- Large bunkie and garage

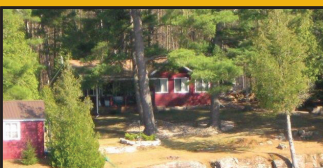
Valerie Kulla 286-2138



Awesome Home \$229,900

- 8.7 acres & 3 bdrm, 2 bath home
- Lovely privacy; single car garage
- Cathedral ceilings and a gorgeous deck
- Decorated with warm country colors

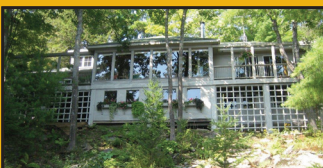
Denise LeBlanc 286-2138 x 23



Marvelous Moore Lake \$349,000

- Beautiful 2 bedroom home or cottage
- Bunkie for extra space
- West exposure & private lot
- Huge pines, granite waterfront

David Lee 286-2138 x 27



Stunning Big Lake View - \$439,000

- 3 BR seasonal cottage on 12 Mile Lake
- Beautiful wood interior; Large living areas
- Clean rocky shore; deep water off the dock
- 2 hours from GTA; Easily winterized.

Gary Moffatt 457-2128 x 36



Pine Lake \$269,900

- 100' sandy frontage, flat level lot, gar, shed
- 2+ bdrm, sunroom, deck, main flr laundry
- Mins. to shopping, Sir Sam's, full block bsmt
- 3 lake chain, great fishing, swimming

Erin Nicholls 457-2128 x 34



Gull River \$254,900

- Well Maintained 4 Sea...me/cottage
- Boat to Gull...Down Minden
- 3 Bdrms, 2 Bath, Full W/O Basement
- Single...Garage, FAO & Woodstove

Karen Nimigon 457-2128 x 29



County Road 21 \$165,000

- Mins. to Minden conveniences, solid brick
- 2 bdrm; walk out bsmt.; family room
- Sep. dining room; fireplace; hardwood floors
- Raised bungalow; dbl drive & lots of parking

Dawn Poissant 457-2128 x 31



Live, Work & Play in Haliburton County

- Well established fully licensed restaurant
- Prime location; operates year round
- Spacious 3 bedroom apartment
- Call Margie or Tom Ecclestone for details

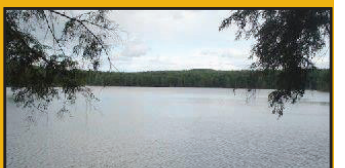
Margie Prestwich 457-2128 x 37



Big Barnum Lake \$649,000

- Viceroy style cottage w/250' ftg & west exp
- Open concept, pine vaulted ceilings, stone FP
- Master ensuite, walk-in closet & w/o to deck
- 480 sq ft Bunkie, great privacy, no motor lake

Greg Stamp 457-2128 x 28



West Lake Building Lots

- 356 ft frontage at \$239,900
- 253 ft frontage at \$244,500
- Township road, driveways installed
- Great building sites, awesome lots

Kim Stamp 457-2128 x 24



Mountain Lake Cottage \$349,900

- 3 bedrooms; Privacy; Child friendly beach
- Upgrades - oak floors, pine board walls & ceiling
- New kitchen! New wrap around deck!
- Big lake view! Two Lake Chain!

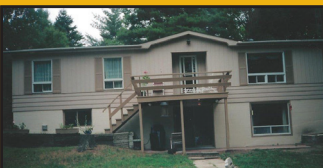
Elizabeth Thompson 457-2128 x 52



South Lake \$129,000

- Completely Renovated Cottage
- With a Beautiful Deck Overlooking the Lake
- Co-Operative Ownership of...
- 321' frontage and 17 Acres

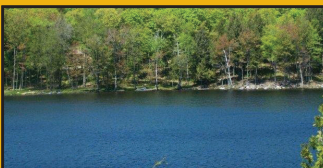
Melanie Vigrass 286-2138 x 32



Hunter Creek Rd Privacy \$179,000

- 2 bedrooms plus 2 baths
- Walkout basement to large yard
- 1.9 acres of privacy
- School bus by the front door

Tom Wilkinson 286-2138 x 25



Tedious Lake Waterfront Lot \$99,000

- Large lot on quiet spring fed lake
- South facing, good swimming & fishing
- Driveways in, hydro at lot line
- Great opportunity! HST in addition.

Andrea Wilson 457-2128 x 25



Head Lake Haliburton \$84,500

- Totally private estate on Cul de Sac
- Private docking, boat launch & parkland
- Merged triple lot with amazing character
- Flat rock and a towering pine stand

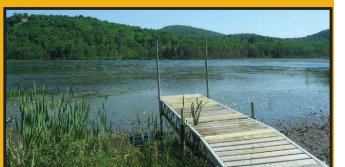
Drew Bishop - 457-2128 x 23



Kushog Lake \$439,900

- 1400 s.f. 3 bdrm cottage/home on .7A lot
- Granite Crown Land island abutting in a cove
- Charming warm pine interior; full width dining area
- Bunkie, cabana and good privacy

Lee Gauthier 489-9968



Lg. Waterfront Lot on Cranberry Lk. \$99,999

- Nice level lot with great privacy
- 150' shoreline, 1.5 acres
- Driveway in, building area cleared
- Dock in place

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